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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Sanitization of Material Provided to OMB

REFERENCE: Letter dated 7 August 1975 to Mr. James R. Oliver from Comptroller, Subject: Export of Process Computers to South Africa

1. Today Mr. James R. Oliver of OMB called to ask if we could sanitize the information provided him under the referenced letter in response to questions posed to OMB by the Senate Committee on Government Operations regarding the sale of computers by the [redacted] to South Africa. Mr. Oliver sought answers to these questions which could be treated as unclassified.

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2. I contacted [redacted] of OSI/NED who, in consultation with Chief, NED and OER, suggested selected deletions and rewordings to render the subject information unclassified. These changes were as follows:

a. Question No. 5--Reword first paragraph of answer to read, "Several U.S. agencies including CIA were aware of the purpose of the computers before the export license was requested." Delete second and third paragraphs.

b. Question No. 9--In second line of answer, end sentence after "code name" deleting "which we believe..." b [redacted] or CIA."

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